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A lot has been happening at ANC over the past few months. Even in the midst of uncertain economic times, the Airport continues to grow and thrive. I am proud of the efforts of our staff to maintain a fiscally lean operation, while continuing to seek to improve our operations and business opportunities. We continue to see the results of these efforts as we grow in both our cargo and passenger markets.

In October a team from the Alaska International Airport System went to Shanghai, where we signed a memorandum of Understanding with the Shanghai Airport Authority, formally acknowledging the interdependence of our two airport systems in the global air cargo supply chain. During that trip we also hosted the Alaska International Air Cargo Summit meeting with many airport and air carrier executives as well as many members of the Shanghai International Freight Forwarders Association.

In December and January we saw construction begin on several new concessions to better serve travelers in our terminal. The upcoming summer looks like we will see a few more tourists than

last year. We don't have the final schedules yet but it looks like we will have the same air service as last year with a few additions such as the recently announced Alaska's Air service to Spokane during the summer.

The weather this season has been quite unpredictable, both in Alaska and the lower 48; thus we advise you check the conditions before driving to and from the airport so that you can continue your journey safely. Additionally, remember that your airline is the primary source for your travel schedule information, so make sure you are checking with them for accurate departure and travel times.

We are thankful for all of our partners who support our continued success. We are dedicated to continue to provide excellent service and remain a stable economic engine for our state. If you have suggestions please don't hesitate to let us know. We can be found online at www.anchorageairport.com or you can give us a call at 907-266-2526 or email us: dot.aia.ancinfo@alaska.gov.

HIGHLIGHTS:

-NEW POLICE & FIRE RECRUITS

-AIRPORT EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



2015 CARGO SUMMIT

The Alaska International Airport System (AIAS) consisting of the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (TSAIA) and the Fairbanks International airport (FAI) hosted the 2015 Alaska International Air Cargo Summit on October 29th in Shanghai, China.

TSAIA has previously hosted Summits in Anchorage over the past few years to create synergy in the Trans-Pacific market and build partnerships with Asian air carriers, freight forwarders, and logistics service providers. These relationships are essential to the airport's business, with the Asian market being the larger portion of cargo traffic.

The Shanghai Pudong Airport is the third busiest cargo airport in the world while the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport is the fifth busiest. Both of these airports are vital links in the Trans-Pacific air cargo supply chain which is why AIAS chose to collaborate with the Shanghai Airport Authority and hold this year's summit in Shanghai. The Shanghai International Freight Forwarders Association also attended and supported the event.



The Alaska International Air Cargo Summit was an incredible success, bringing together approximately 75 Asian aviation and freight forwarding business professionals including the (US) Air Forwarders Association. The summit facilitated open dialogue about the future of business through Alaska, and solidified relationships with the Shanghai Airport Authority, Shanghai International Freight Forwarders Association, and the (US) Air Forwarders Association.



While in Shanghai, Deputy Commissioner John Binder representing AIAS signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with SAA affirming mutually beneficial business relationship in the Trans-Pacific Air Cargo Market. Both the Cargo Summit and the MOU promote Alaska International Air Cargo business opportunities to the Asian air carriers and freight forwarders and to further build relationships with aviation and logistics business professionals.

AERONEXUS ALLIANCE

A new partnership between the Alaska International Airport System, the Municipality of Anchorage and Anchorage Economic Development Corp. aims to increase economic opportunity, growth and diversification in the state through enhanced coordination efforts in aviation and air cargo-based industries.

Taking advantage of Anchorage's unique proximity to Asia and North America markets, the Alaska AeroNexus Alliance will provide a partnership for the three organizations to plan and coordinate common action, leverage resources and aggressively pursue economic opportunities and investments from instate, national and international business interests.

"The Alaska AeroNexus Alliance partners share numerous economic and workforce goals that are vital to the future economic growth and diversification of Anchorage and Alaska," said Bill Popp, AEDC president and CEO. "Unifying our efforts and establishing the Ted Stevens International Airport, part of the Alaska International Airport System, as a fully realized 'AeroNexus' will result in significant new business investments. We are optimistic about the opportunities the new partnership will bring to the state."

As the nation's second largest hub for air cargo commerce and international trade between the U.S. and Asia, the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (TSAIA) is uniquely positioned to be a key player in aviation and global air cargo industries. Through the new partnership, the state's largest airport, TSAIA would add efficiency to global air cargo supply chains through saving time and money for shippers, third-party logistics providers and manufacturers; increasing the reliability of air cargo; and decreasing risk associated with longer distances and shipping times. Resulting investments in Anchorage by targeted industry companies will result in increased local jobs, property taxes and increased economic opportunities for the citizens and businesses of Anchorage and Alaska.

Efforts of the Alaska AeroNexus Alliance include identifying strategic investment opportunities and needs, such as infrastructure investments and workforce training, and gathering necessary resources to fully develop these opportunities into realized investments in TSAIA and Anchorage. These efforts will assure TSAIA's continued dominance as a key strategic air cargo hub for trade between the U.S. and the world.

Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport is part of the Alaska International Airport System, a partnership with Fairbanks International Airport. The combined airports offer a unique partnership that provides backup support and services to international air cargo carriers using the system. AeroNexus is a registered trademark of the Alaska International Airport System.

AEDC is a private, nonprofit membership organization developed in 1987 to encourage growth and to diversify the Anchorage economy. The organization has more than 250 investors, which represent all industries in Anchorage and Alaska.



NEW CONCESSIONS

We are excited to welcome several new concessions at the airport this winter and spring. In December, a new Starbucks opened near Baggage Claim 1 on the first floor. It will be great to pick up coffee after a long flight while you're waiting for your bags.



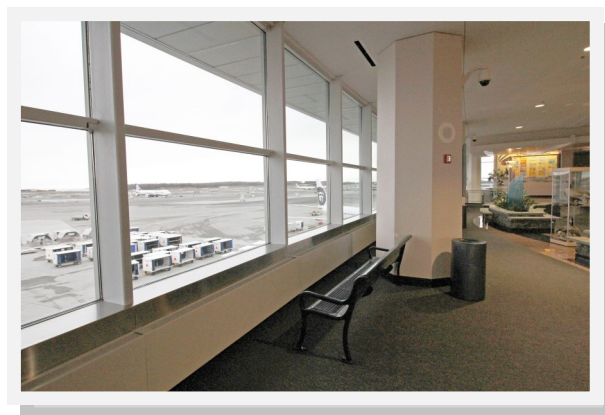
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Construction of Sushi on the Fly and Kiosk bar has begun in the C Concourse. This new concession will feature sushi and Asian cuisine. Additionally there will be a bar area where travelers can relax while waiting for their flight.

Chili's restaurant has officially closed; it is being rebranded to a barbecue theme restaurant called the Pork & Pickle. This new restaurant will offer smoked meats along with an assortment of other standard menu items. Construction just began and will open in May 2016.

Finally, look for construction to begin on a new Lounge on the observation deck. This new lounge will give travelers an opportunity to relax and enjoy the view while waiting for their flight. Additionally, it will compliment the Native Art exhibit in the area, drawing further attention to Alaska's rich heritage.



NEW POLICE & FIRE RECRUITS

3 new recruits (Ryan Pasternak, Sam Suplin and Nicholas Sleeth) were hired last year and sent to the (A.L.E.T.) Alaska Law Enforcement Training Academy in Sitka. The Academy was roughly 15 weeks, from August 2, to November 13, 2015. The academy provides instruction in criminal investigation, police procedure, laws, and physical skills. A typical day starts with a workout from 5am until 7am. They hit the showers and have breakfast before starting class at 7:50am. Classes are over at 5:00 pm M-F. On the weekends there is driving instruction and weekly testing. During the evenings from 6pm to 10pm there is practical training like building clearing, Domestic Violence response, or felony / high risk traffic stops. Any other available free time is spent studying Alaska Criminal Statutes and Traffic Laws. Some of the areas of instruction in the academy are: Use of Force, Active Shooter, Cold Water Survival, Collision Investigation, Interview and Interrogation, Juvenile Procedures, First Aid CPR and AED, Evidence Collection, Crime Scene Investigation, Controlled Substance, Ethics and Conduct, Courtroom Testimony, Report Writing and many more topics. They learned how to drive emergency vehicles safely. They were trained and qualified on pistols and shotguns. Additionally they were trained in Physical Methods of Arrest and Defensive Tactics. When it was all said and done at the academy there was 969 hours of instruction. Officer Pasternak was named the Honor Graduate from his academy of 17 officers.



After the recruits returned from Sitka they were trained additionally to the ETT level of emergency responders for a week. They were trained and qualified with AR-15, patrol rifles for another week. The recruits were additionally trained in Pressure Point Control Tactics for defensive maneuvers in yet another week of instruction. The recruits then began their 9 week police field training program, where they are training by a senior Field Training Officer (FTO) working alongside them every day. The recruits are carefully watched as they interact with citizens, violators and suspects in and around the airport. Traffic stops are conducted. Crimes are investigated. Arrests are made. Reports are taken. The traveling public is contacted and often times, opinions are formed regarding the state of Alaska, Anchorage and the airport, based on the contact with our police officers. The recruits will be finishing their police FTO soon and then they will start training on the fire side of their careers. They will participate in Firefighter I and Firefighter II academies (7 weeks) and then have a 3 week long Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) academy all in-house here at the airport. After all the fire training is out of the way the recruits will undergo a 9 week Fire FTO period very similar to the police FTO where their performance is rated and graded every day before finally being an independent, fully functioning, Airport Police and Fire Officer. When it is all said and done the recruits will have been employed with the state, undergoing training for approximately 1 year before working on their own.



AIRPORT EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

The 2015 Airport Employee of the Year, announced in December, is Officer Daniel Juarez from the Airport Police and Fire. Officer Juarez was given the award for his outstanding service and unwavering commitment to the Department and his fellow employees, specifically during the Time of Officer Tony Carter's passing. Officer Juarez was assigned to be the Carter Family Assistance Officer, going well beyond the required tasks of what could have been regarded extra duty. In addition to his regular work duties, Officer Juarez was personally invested in supporting the Carter family during their time of grieving. A Family Assistance Officer (FAO) is a department designee who is the liaison between the department and the family in need. They work to make sure the emotions of losing a family member is not compounded by the decisions that need to be made in the weeks that follow. They also assist the department by keeping everyone well-informed of the family's needs and coordinating department involvement in any funeral arrangements. The FAO is not unique to the Anchorage Int. Airport Police & Fire Department; but is rather common within first responder organizations.

While fulfilling these duties to the Carter family and the Airport family, Officer Juarez also organized the Airport Police & Fire's first Honor Guard. Building from the ground up he managed all of the details required to compose a highly professional Honor Guard. Since its inception, the honor guard has represented the department in various events, including opening ceremonies and parades. Officer Juarez has, and continues to represent the department well and serves as an example to others. On behalf of the Airport Family, we extend our gratitude and congratulations to Officer Juarez for his hard work.

